IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Hideki KOTAKI et al.

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PRODUCING SAME

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 5, 2009, applicants hereby submit the enclosed papers including an Amendment under 37 CFR 1.111. Since April 5, 2009 is a Sunday, applicants believe that this is a timely response within the shortened statutory period and that no extension of time fees are required.

The required fees are calculated below:

Total Claims $\frac{4}{2} - \frac{20}{3} = \frac{0}{0}$ $\frac{\$0.00}{\$0.00}$

TOTAL FEE DUE:

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE THIS FEE AND ANY OTHER FEES WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED OR CREDIT ANY OVERPAYMENT TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 19-2586, REFERENCING ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 0124/003001. THIS IS A GENERAL AUTHORIZATION EXCLUDING ONLY PAYMENT OF THE ISSUE FEE.

Respectfully submitted,

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